

D. CLAIM 13

Claim 13 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being allegedly unpatentable over Buer and Ben and in view of Ylonen et al. (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0062344), hereafter “Ylonen.” (Office Action, page 10) The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 13 depends indirectly from claim 1. As discussed above, Buer and Ben, individually and in combination, fail to teach and suggest independent claim 1. Further, Ylonen fails to cure the deficiencies of Buer and Ben with respect to independent claim 1. Therefore, because Buer, Ben and Piper, individually and in combination, fail to provide all the subject matter recited in claim 1, and due to claim dependency, claim 13 is patentable over Buer in view of Ben and in further view of Ylonen.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.

E. DEPENDENT CLAIMS

The claims that are not discussed above depend directly or indirectly on the claims that have been discussed. Therefore, those claims are patentable for the reasons given above. In addition, each of the dependent claims separately introduces features that independently render the claim patentable. However, due to the fundamental differences already identified, and to expedite positive resolution of the examination, separate arguments are not provided for each of the dependent claims at this time.

II. CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth above, all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. A petition for an extension of time is hereby made to the extent necessary to make this reply timely filed. If any applicable fee is missing or insufficient, the Commissioner is authorized to

charge any applicable fee to our Deposit Account No. 50-1302.

Respectfully submitted,

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